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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121, please substitute for original claims 3, 4, 6, 10-12, 15, 16, 18, 21 and 22 for the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

- 3. (Amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the actuator is an hydraulic actuator.
- 4. (Amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the actuator comprises a pair of ram provided on either side of the receptacle, each connected at one end to the support structure and at the other end to the receptacle at a point away from the pivotal connection.

